COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ISSUES MEETING MINUTES OF January 25, 2010

TIME The meeting convened at 6:37 P.M.

PRESENT Chair Lord-Hausman, Vice-Chair Moore, Commissioners Fort, Kirola, Krongold,

Tam and Warren.

ABSENT None.

MINUTES

The October 26, 2009 minutes were approved with corrections.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Secretary Akil distributed the 2010 CDI meeting calendar.

Chair Lord-Hausman read a card from former CDI Member Ms. Toby Berger, who expressed appreciation for her time spent on the Commission. There was also a card received from Mariner Square regarding former CDI Member Adrienne Longley-Cook, who passed away in 2009.

NEW BUSINESS

1. <u>Election of Chair and Vice-Chair</u> (Secretary Akil):

Chair Lord-Hausman made a motion to nominate Commissioner Krongold as Chair of the Commission. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Moore, which carried a unanimous voice vote -6.

Vice-Chair Moore made a motion to nominate Commissioner Tam as Vice-Chair of the Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Warren, which carried a unanimous voice vote -6.

2. Fixed Route Shuttle Pilot Program (Barry Bergman, PW):

Update on changes to implementation of the fixed route shuttle.

Mr. Bergman was unable to attend the meeting due to illness. The item will be agendized for a future meeting.

3. Alameda Multicultural Community Center (Zoe Holder, Exec. Director)

Presentation regarding a co-sponsorship in featuring film(s) on disabilities in April 2010.

Zoe Holder could not attend. Chair Lord-Hausman asked Commissioner Tam to provide information regarding the Center and event in Ms. Holder's absence.

Member Tam stated that he is on the Board for the Alameda Multi-Cultural Center, which celebrates different ethnic cultures in the City. The Center plans to show films related to disabilities on April 16th.

Commissioner Krongold spoke about an international film festival, held annually in Berkeley, by and for people with disabilities. Krongold requested a preview of films, previously shown at the festival, with one of the festival's organizers. This pre-screening will be attended by Krongold, Lord-Hausman, and Holder.

Chair Lord-Hausman stated that the CDI might be interested and could co-sponsor the event for visibility, to which the Commission supports. Commissioner Krongold stated that the event is free and open to the community.

Chair Lord-Hausman stated that Ms. Holder would be able to attend the February 22 meeting with more information.

Commissioner Tam stated that there could be an event at the library as well, to which the Commission agreed. Vice-Chair Moore suggested that a film on autism be highlighted since April is Autism Awareness Month.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Special Needs-Special Services Resource Fair (Chair Lord-Hausman):

Chair Lord-Hausman read the recap of the event. There is approximately \$184.00 remaining in the account and could be used towards the purchase of a plaque in memory of former Commissioner Longley-Cook, to which the Commission agreed.

Chair Lord-Hausman also read feedback received from the vendors who participated in the Fair, which was overall good.

2. ADA/CDI Website (Secretary Akil):

Secretary Akil informed the Commission that the City Attorney has authorized approval for expenditure of an ADA/CDI website. The Commission agreed to use the previous model that it prepared in order to get the website up and running. Secretary Akil will email latest draft web page to Commissioner Krongold for review prior to adding the pate to the City's website.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

There were no staff communications.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Vice-Chair Moore stated that April is Autism month and requested that the CDI acknowledge Autism during this month. Vice-Chair Moore suggested incorporating some films about Autism into the April 16th meeting. Chair Lord-Hausman stated that Ms. Zoe Holder had suggested doing a film on Autism. Vice-Chair Moore fully supports the effort and requested that the subject of Autism be included in the discussions with Ms. Holder.
- 2. Commissioner Krongold suggested the CDI promote free yoga for people with disabilities among other exercises during Disability Awareness Month, to which the Commission agreed. Vice-Chair Moore stated she works at Harbor Bay Club and fully supports the suggestion.
- 3. Chair Lord-Hausman shared an article on former Commissioner Toby Berger regarding the successful translation of the Jewish Prayer Bible in Braille.
- 4. Commissioner Krongold stated that Saturday March 27, 2010 the College of Alameda is hosting its Annual Transition Fair for students with developmental disabilities for children ages 4 22 for programs in Alameda County. The event will be from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- 5. <u>PAPCO Update</u>: Chair Lord-Hausman discussed the various types of high-priority County-wide connectivity programs that could benefit the entire county, in light of budget cuts. There will also be a focus on security and safety.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m. The next scheduled meeting is Monday, February 22, 2010 at 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucretia Akil Board Secretary